

PAYING TRIBUTE TO TED HAYDEN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a profound sense of gratitude that I pay tribute to Ted Hayden as he concludes his service to the people of Delta County after thirteen years as a County Commissioner. Ted's devotion to his neighbors and love for the town of Paonia, Colorado, where he has lived for the last thirty years, has served as a shining example of the selfless nature that is indicative of a true public servant.

During his time as County Commissioner, Ted has concentrated his efforts on serving the people of his region by protecting their interests in public lands and community property. Ted has dealt with many diverse issues during his career in public service, from budgets to airports and landfills. He has approached each with an insight and integrity that is worthy of the recognition that we bestow here today.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to bring to the attention of this body of Congress a man whose love for his community, and whose willingness to sacrifice in its service, is an inspiration to those who have lived in Delta County. As a public servant, Ted Hayden's time as County Commissioner has been an inspirational example to those of us who serve our nation in elective office. It is with gratitude for his time of service to Delta County, Colorado that I recognize Ted's ongoing devotion to the people and community that he loves.

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES
HOUSEWORTH

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

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Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that a long and exceptionally distinguished career has come to an end. Mr. Charles Houseworth, of Lexington, MO, has retired as Director of the Lex La-Ray Technical Center.

Mr. Houseworth began teaching and counseling in Brookfield and Lexington, MO in 1968, after receiving a Bachelor's degree from Central Missouri State University. After receiving a Master's degree from CMSU in Guidance/Counseling, he became the guidance counselor of the then brand new vocational school in Lexington in 1975. In the summer of 1982 until the present, he has served the Director of the Lex La-Ray Technical Center.

Mr. Houseworth has not only taught and guided the young people of Lexington but has also been involved with many local civic and community activities. He served the people of Lexington as the 4th Ward Councilman for six years. Charles has also been serving on the Wentworth Community Council for the past six years as well as working closely with local, state, and national legislators.

Mr. Speaker, Charles Houseworth has dedicated 34 years to the Brookfield and Lexington communities, serving with honor and distinction. I know that the Members of the House

will join me in wishing him all the best in the days ahead.

HOME OWNER—AMERICAN DREAM

HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, home ownership is a vital component of the American Dream. Unfortunately, too many families are frozen out of this dream by obstacles such as lack of opportunity, limited knowledge and soaring real estate prices. One of my primary goals as a Member of Congress is to raise the roof on home ownership for minorities, immigrants and low- and moderate-income families in the 11th Congressional District and throughout the country by removing these obstacles to achieving home ownership.

The Ohio Statewide Housing Summit was an important step in moving toward this goal. As Honorary Host of the Summit, it was my pleasure to welcome the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation and my colleagues Rep. CORRINE BROWN, Rep. EVA CLAYTON, Rep. JAMES CLYBURN, Rep. BARNEY FRANK, Rep. CAROLYN KILPATRICK, and Rep. BARBARA LEE to Cleveland to share and gather information about housing issues that affect all of our constituents.

I was proud of and gratified by the exemplary partnership and hard work of so many people and organizations in my District and throughout the state and country who joined together to make this Summit a success:

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Thanks to their hard work, the Ohio Statewide Housing Summit was a resounding success that will continue to benefit my constituents for years to come.

IN CELEBRATION OF JUNETEENTH

HON. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CUMMINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of Juneteenth Day.

Each year, June 19th commemorates the end of slavery in this nation. It is a day of thanksgiving in the African-American community—a day in which we rejoice in the freedoms we enjoy and look ahead to a time when we can be completely free from the legacy of slavery.

On June 19th, 1865, Union soldiers led by Major General Gordon Granger landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that all slaves were now free. This news, nearly two years after President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, brought freedom to thousands of slaves in what was then the western parts of the United States. Juneteenth Day is the oldest known celebration of the end of American slavery.

In decline for much of the 20th century, the celebration of Juneteenth was rejuvenated during '50's and '60's with the rising call of civil rights. Today, cities and towns across the country are celebrating Juneteenth. It serves as a reminder of where the African-American community was, where it is today, and where it can go.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that we must know our history before we can move forward. Today, as the descendants of slaves and sharecroppers myself, I stand here on the floor of the House of Representatives—proud to celebrate Juneteenth Day.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO RICHARD
AND BARBARA DORRELL

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Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to pay tribute today to the union of Richard and Barbara Dorrell as they celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. True Coloradans, the Dorrells have spent the last half-century together in loving devotion to each other. Their affection for one another is evident to their friends and family alike. Their involvement in the Rifle, Colorado community is a source of pride in each of their lives.

A Rifle native, "Dick," as he is known to friends, is one of the last true Colorado cowboys: he was involved with the rodeo circuit back in the 1960s as both a bareback bronco rider as well as one of the rodeo's clowns. Dick's stories of his exploits on the rodeo circuit continue to entertain friends and family alike as he weaves spellbinding tales of his heroics in the ring nearly thirty years ago. After leaving the rodeo, Dick moved on to a career driving a school bus for the RE-2 school district—a job he enjoyed for over twenty years. A past chief of the Rifle Volunteer Fire Department, Dick dedicated 25 years of his life to protecting our state from fire danger; he has also spent the last 45 years as an active member of the Rifle Elks Lodge.

Dick's lovely wife Barbara originally hails from Glendale, California, though she has lived in Rifle since 1947. Barbara devoted her time to her children during their youth, though rejoined the workforce to teach private piano lessons for over twenty years. She began her professional career with the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado in the 1970s and retired several years ago after 25 years of admirable service. Barbara has been an active